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<b>Applicant(s):</b>	Gettala, et al.	<b>Docket:</b>	139099
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<b>Title:</b>	System and Method for Providing Communications in a Network Using a Redundant Switching Architecture		

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

M/S AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Commissioner:

This is a Response to the Final Office Action dated October 17, 2007. This Response is filed within two months of the mailing date of the Final Office Action. Therefore, no fee is believed to be due. If any extension of time is required, please consider this a request therefor. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-1513.

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